Newspaper article headed 'ൺിമാനം' in the Mahathi.

257. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether their attention has been drawn to the article by "ൺിമാനം" calling the attention of the Panchayat Registrar on page 5 of the Mahathi newspaper of 3rd Mithunam 1108;

(2) whether it is a fact that a road has been put at Government expense for the special use of a Panchayat Member;

(3) whether it is a fact that if that amount was used for extending the road in question it would have been of great use to the public;

(4) whether the Panchayat Superintendent has been presented with a petition by the public as alleged in the article;

(5) if so, did he make any enquiry;

(6) if so, with what result; if not, why not;

(7) whether it is a fact that there is something wrong in the management of the Panchayat concerned?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(1) Yes.

(2) No.

(3) No answer is necessary in view of answer to (2) above.

(4) Yes.

(5) Yes.

(6) It was found that the allegations are groundless.

(7) No.

Allegation against Panchayat Overseer.

258. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether their attention has been drawn to the article from Pazhayannur from their own correspondent in the Mahathi newspaper, page 4, of 17th Mithunam 1108;

(b) whether they required into the alleged misconduct of the Overseer;

(c) whether it is true that the palmyra was felled from the poramboke;

(d) if so, had the Overseer permission from the Revenue authorities?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes; the Registrar of Village Panchayats enquired into the allegations.

(c) This has not come to the notice of the Government.

(d) No answer is necessary in view of answer to (c) above.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Did the Government inquire after they had notice of this question whether the Overseer felled a palmyra from the poramboke?

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